

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Hideo ANDO, et al.

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SERIAL NO: New DIV Application

EXAMINER:

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FOR: INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM, INFORMATION RECORDING METHOD AND APPARATUS, AND INFORMATION PLAYBACK METHOD AND APPARATUS

REQUEST FOR PRIORITY

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SIR:

- Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Application Serial Number 10/172,929, filed June 18, 2002, is claimed pursuant to the provisions of **35 U.S.C. §120**.
- Full benefit of the filing date(s) of U.S. Provisional Application(s) is claimed pursuant to the provisions of **35 U.S.C. §119(e)**:
Application No. _____ Date Filed _____
- Applicants claim any right to priority from any earlier filed applications to which they may be entitled pursuant to the provisions of **35 U.S.C. §119**, as noted below.

In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that the applicants claim as priority:

<u>COUNTRY</u>	<u>APPLICATION NUMBER</u>	<u>MONTH/DAY/YEAR</u>
Japan	10-221919	August 5, 1998

Certified copies of the corresponding Convention Application(s)

- are submitted herewith
- will be submitted prior to payment of the Final Fee
- were filed in prior application Serial No. 09/365,708 filed August 3, 1999
- were submitted to the International Bureau in PCT Application Number
Receipt of the certified copies by the International Bureau in a timely manner under PCT Rule 17.1(a) has been acknowledged as evidenced by the attached PCT/IB/304.
- (A) Application Serial No.(s) were filed in prior application Serial No. _____ filed _____ ; and
- (B) Application Serial No.(s)
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Respectfully Submitted,

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